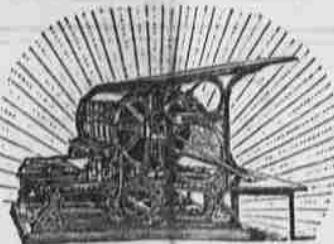


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NEW ADS THIS WEEK.

Keys Lost.
Hoffer Found.
Wheeler's Wanted.
The Cloth-J. S. Meigs.
Smoke Virginia Cigars.
Anna Life-B. E. Sargent.
Leeds' Shoes-Jos. Gauthier.
We will Swap-Swift Brothers.
Workingmen-Wilson & King.
Alas for You-Louise Bros. & Smythe.
Com. Notice-Nathaniel Gould's Est.
Com. Notice-Franklin Fairbanks' Est.
Probate of Copy of Will-M. C. Varney's Est.

Weather Record.

At Bingham's Drug Store, for the week ending May 29, 1895.		
Highest.		Lowest
Thursday.....	69	56
Friday.....	73	58
Saturday.....	80	52
Sunday.....	82	58
Monday.....	63	54
Tuesday.....	69	51
Wednesday.....	65	55

Business Cards.

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Solicits Machine Job Work. Light machinery and model work a specialty.
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Lessons given in Oil and China Painting.

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Watchmaking, Pharmacy, Optical Work, Drugs, Medicines, Watches, Silverware.

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Manufacturer of Water Tubs
for stock, Draw Tubs and Holders for Sap, Sailing Tubs, etc.
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DR. C. F. CHENEY,
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THE VERMONT MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.
The Best.
W. C. LEWIS, Agent.
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Graduate Tuning Department New England Conservatory.
Pianos and Organs tuned and repaired.
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NOTICE.
This is to certify that I have left my wife, led and board, and forbid all persons trusting or harboring her on my account as I shall pay none of her bills from this date.
—MARK MEECHAM.
St. Johnsbury, Vt., May 7, 1895.

BLACK HEIFER FOUND.
Came into my inclosure May 29th, 1895. One two-year old black heifer with no horns, and two dark brown yearling heifers.
The owner by proving property and paying charges can have the same.
C. A. PERKINS,
Danville, Vt.

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Visit the
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NEWS ABOUT HOME.

—Buffalo Bill's Wild West show will exhibit here on Monday, July 22.

—Rev. F. E. Davison will preach at the Free Baptist church next Sunday.

—H. H. May has returned to his position as leader of the South church choir.

—Rev. H. M. Douglas delivered the Memorial Day address at Greensboro last Thursday.

—C. C. Bingham has ordered a new soda fountain of the latest pattern and it will be here in about a week.

—Mrs. Henry Fairbanks will give a lawn party to the Woman's Club at Elmwood next Saturday afternoon.

—Manager Bingham has placed the telephone into the houses of Dr. T. R. Stiles, Mrs. R. P. Fairbanks and Mrs. C. M. Stone.

—F. O. Clark has moved into the house at 64 Summer Street recently purchased by him from Mrs. Charles T. Walter.

—John McDonald has purchased from J. B. Gage the house on Railroad street known as the Lanchance place, and will move in some time this month.

—The advertised letters at the office this week are as follows: Amos, Fessette, M. E. Wilson, Mrs. A. P. Brown, Miss Annie Brown, Mrs. Emma Pond.

—The article on the Nesting Habits of the Hornbill, on another page, will be found interesting by those who have studied the excellent example at the Fairbanks Museum.

—At the meeting of the directors of the First National Bank last Saturday C. H. Stevens was elected vice-president to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge W. P. Smith.

—Harland B. Howe has moved his law office from the office over the First National bank to the second floor of the Citizens Bank block. Dr. J. E. Hartshorn takes the office vacated by Mr. Howe.

—C. S. Hastings has begun the work on Observatory Knob, and will continue as far as the funds will go. There is \$75 already in. The masonry has been completed and the woodwork is about to begin.

—Rev. Scott F. Hershey of Boston will deliver a patriotic address in Music Hall next Thursday evening, June 13, subject, "The Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church and the Constitution of the United States."

—The boys who sold tickets for the Observatory Knob entertainment were treated to a supper at the St. Johnsbury House on Wednesday evening. The party numbered 12, including the entertainer, C. S. Hastings.

—Company D, St. Johnsbury Guard, made an excellent appearance on Memorial day in their white pants. They have recently secured a rifle range below the Fair Ground and will soon begin practice at long-distance shooting.

—Hoyt's "Temperance Town" was played to a large audience at the Howe Opera House last Saturday evening. All the parts were well taken and the audience was greatly amused at the humorous situations and the clever portrayals of character.

—C. C. Bonette, the St. Johnsbury aeronaut, is making a number of engagements for the summer and fall in Maine. On July 4 he drops from his balloon in South Norridgewood, Me., and makes two ascensions at the state fair at Bangor the third week in August.

—The residence of J. F. Shedd at Antigo, Wis., was burned to the ground on May 27. Mrs. Shedd had just left the house and discovered the fire in season to save some of the goods on the first floor. The loss was \$2,500 with an insurance amounting to \$1,300. Their St. Johnsbury friends will regret to learn of their misfortune.

—The heat which ushered in the first of June was felt quite oppressive even in this town, where it did not approach the sultriness which afflicted many localities. On Sunday the air was cooled off by a thunder storm and heavy fall of rain, which latter continued well into Monday. This rain has been a cause of rejoicing to the farmers, who now feel that the crops have a better chance.

—The 69th anniversary of the American Home Missionary Society of the Congregational denomination opened at Saratoga, Monday. Gen. O. O. Howard, now of Burlington, is president of the society and made the opening address. Mrs. C. L. Goodell, of Boston, participated in the ladies' missionary meeting and Rev. C. H. Merrill of this place reported for the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society. Rev. Dr. Josiah Tyler is attending this convention.

—The Worcester Evening Gazette of April 27 spoke very highly of a dramatic entertainment given in the Worcester theatre on April 26 by students of the

Polytechnic Institute. Horace Carpenter, '96, of St. Johnsbury, took the part of Gratiano, a second edition of Salanio, (limited), who has his own opinion, and Theodore Lamson, formerly of this town, took a foremost part as Antonio, the Merchant of Venice, whose efforts to assist the leading and juvenile lovers of the caste, leads him into more difficulties than is usual with the "kind friend" of drama, with sporting tendencies. The entertainment was a burlesque called "Shylock, Jr.," arranged by the students after the plan of the Merchant of Venice, but was comically up to date. The Gazette showers praise on the young gentlemen who so successfully got up and performed the play.

THE SILVER QUESTION.
At the meeting of the Board of Trade on Monday evening there was an interesting discussion by various speakers on this live question.

Prof. Hardy explained the ratio of silver and gold previous to 1877, and the disadvantage to the creditor of having bills contracted on a gold basis paid in depreciated silver.

Dr. Bullard said that 32 tons of silver were mined to one of gold in 1873; and 17 tons of silver to one of gold in 1894. He wanted the buying of silver to go on with some restrictions; he did not wish for absolute free coinage.

W. L. Pearl then made a few remarks about prices being governed by supply and demand. He believed in good silver, good gold, good paper—any kind stamped United States should be worth a dollar, and the United States should pass laws to this effect.

Congressman Grout made the speech of the evening, and was listened to with great attention. He said he was not a silver man on a basis of 16 to 1. We cannot safely coin silver at that value. Ten dollars in gold will buy silver bullion enough to coin thirty silver dollars. He believed in using silver but in keeping it on a parity with gold. It is a matter of history that in 1834 the gold dollar was reduced in value to make it equal to silver. Before 1873 silver was at a premium, and the reason given for demonetizing silver was that it was not in use. After 1873 production increased and became enormous; and a demand came for its recognition. General Grout said that gold and silver should be kept together, but he showed that it is a law of finance that the least valuable dollar drives out the best. The rich hold the gold; the poor the silver, and the poor are the first to suffer from this state of affairs. The cure for the American people to keep both good. Foreign creditors demand gold in payment for goods and refuse to take silver. The United States must pay in gold, and must either buy it of bankers or pay a premium to settle their debts. An agreement might be made with other nations to take silver if one standard is used. He believes it will be done by the next republican congress by providing that those countries which will accept silver in payment for debt shall have concessions in our tariff laws to them. He said that we are in debt to the rest of the world and that English gold holds the world. "Coin's Financial school" was characterized as full of sophistry and falsehood from beginning to end, and absolute shipwreck is ahead of the nation on a free silver basis. The height and depth of the free coinage men's ideas is to get a cheap dollar, and compel other nations to accept it in payment of our debts.

The fact that there is plenty of money in circulation to transact all business and serve all purposes, was dwelt on, and the cause of panic and loss of value lay in lack of confidence. The great point is to keep the money good. The poor man was emphatically stated to be the one to suffer if money is poor. The want of confidence was because of the free silver heresy, but if the American people will stand resolutely to the work and maintain a gold and silver standard, the occupation of the free silver agitator will be gone.

A resolution of thanks to Congressman Grout and the other speakers was put and passed.

ST. JOHNSBURY CENTRE.
Next Sunday morning union services will be held at the Congregational church, a children's day programme being used, and in the afternoon a union concert will be given at the Methodist church.

Rev. I. P. Chase and Miss Cora Sargent are attending the Epworth League convention at St. Albans this week.

A very pleasant and helpful time was realized this week by those attending the convention at the Congregational church.

The northern association of Universalists held a meeting at the hall next week, commencing Tuesday evening and closing Thursday evening.

Jonathan Powers was agreeably surprised last Saturday, upon his return from a trip to St. Johnsbury, to find a household of friends and old neighbors assembled to celebrate his eightieth birthday. A very pleasant time was enjoyed. The party was planned by his daughter, Mrs. Hase, with whom he lives. Mr. Powers is in Boston this week attending the marriage of his son, Dr. Howard Powers, of Boston.

Mrs. E. H. Stone and Mrs. Geo. Merrill have been chosen as delegates from the Congregational Sunday school to attend the meeting of the association at Hardwick on June 14.

A new floor has been laid and other improvements made upon the room under the Congregational church used as a grange hall.

PERSONALS.

A. V. Andrews is in Boston this week on business.

Philip H. Stone returned Monday from Colorado Springs, Col.

Mrs. Byron Ruggles of Hartland has been visiting Mrs. G. F. Miner.

Dr. Harry Carpenter of Lancaster was greeted by his old friends on Wednesday.

Henry C. Ide, who is studying medicine in New York, is home for the summer.

Mrs. John C. Burke and daughter of Lowell, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Henry C. Bates.

Miss Isabella Kinney is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Percy F. Templeton, in Montpelier.

Mrs. E. M. Spaulding, who has been sick for the last two months, is slowly improving.

Ex-Congressman Moses H. Stevens and wife of Massachusetts are visiting Congressman Grout.

J. Wesley Batchelder played with the Lyndonville Cornet Band at the stallion parade on Wednesday.

George F. Way, who is studying medicine at Bellevue College, New York, has returned for the summer.

Mrs. David E. Puffer went to St. Albans Tuesday morning to attend the state convention of Epworth League.

Rev. M. Atwood is called to Charleston today to officiate at the funeral of Miss Emma Parlin, daughter of John G. Parlin. Mr. Atwood will supply at the Free Baptist church at Hardwick next Sunday.

Secretary Folsom of the Waterbury, Conn., Y. M. C. A., and a former secretary of the St. Johnsbury association, has resigned his position and contemplates entering business. His many St. Johnsbury friends wish him the best of success.

B. T. Marshall of Dartmouth College, who was graduated from the Academy in 1893, will manage Camp Sunapee this season. This is a summer camp for boys which has been open for six seasons and is delightfully situated on Lake Sunapee in New Hampshire.

CHILDREN'S PREMIUMS AT THE FAIR.
Hon. T. N. Vail has written from South America to the management of the county fair explaining monetarily his gifts of \$150 in premiums to the children. In his letter he writes as follows:

"All of the premiums given by Speedwell Farms are open to boys and girls both. And it will not be so much the particular display made as the condition under which the work was done. One who had every disadvantage in getting up his garden, poultry or flowers will have a chance with the rest, providing he has made the best of his conditions. The whole object is to encourage those who have little other encouragement."

As \$150 is to be distributed in premiums the young folks will do well to prepare for the fair, and by the condition stated above no one need feel that he or she cannot compete because they have not the facilities that some one else has for raising the plants or poultry. The children's department next fall promises to be the most interesting feature of the whole fair.

CHURCH NOTES.
The auxiliary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Grace Methodist church held their annual thank-offering service Tuesday afternoon, from 3 to 5. The first hour was devoted to an interesting literary and musical programme. Readings were given by Mrs. E. N. Randall and Misses Carrie Steele and Mabel Hamilton. After these exercises came a social hour, tea, cocoa and cake were served, and a good time enjoyed. About fifty ladies were present.

Children's Day will be observed at Grace church next Sunday. In the morning a sermon will be preached to the children by the pastor, and several children will be baptised. In the evening, a fine concert will be given by the Sunday School.

TEMPERANCE ADDRESS.
Mrs. Helen G. Rice, of Boston gave an address last Sunday, on temperance. The first was delivered to about 75 children, members of the Loyol Temperance League in Grace Methodist Church. It was a very bright and helpful talk which the children greatly enjoyed.

In the evening Mrs. Rice spoke in the North church, on "The Master's Call." She very clearly and forcibly set forth the obligation resting upon every citizen to heed the Master's call to abolish the liquor traffic. The audience was deeply interested and profited by the address.

GOOD RACES AHEAD.
The St. Johnsbury Driving Club have arranged for two good days of racing at the Fair Ground on Wednesday and Thursday, June 19 and 20. The races will be held on the afternoon of each day, beginning at 1.30 o'clock. On Wednesday afternoon there will be the 2.40 race for a purse of \$150 and on Thursday afternoon a 2.35 class for a purse of \$150, a 2.50 class for the same purse and a 2.26 class for \$175. All races are open to both trotters and pacers and entries should be made to W. A. Taplin before 11 p. m. on Friday, June 14.

COUNTY CONFERENCE.

Congregationalists in Session at St. Johnsbury Centre.

The 61st annual meeting of the Caledonia county conference of Congregational churches was held with the church at St. Johnsbury Centre on Tuesday and Wednesday. There was a large attendance from the different towns in the county, the two churches from this village being very well represented. J. H. George of East Hardwick was moderator by appointment last year and Rev. B. B. Fisk of Lyndon was clerk.

Rev. T. Tyrie of Grace Methodist church read the scriptures, and prayer was offered by Rev. H. M. Douglas of the Railroad street Baptist church, St. Johnsbury. The opening sermon was given by Rev. Dr. A. H. Heath of the North church. It was a strong sermon on faith, the text being, "For we walk by faith, not by sight."

The afternoon session was the best attended of the conference. After prayer by Rev. J. C. Bodwell, the moderator appointed these committees: On nominations, Rev. Edward T. Fairbanks, Rev. J. C. Bodwell, Cloud Harvey; on place next year and business, Rev. A. H. Heath, George H. Cross, W. L. Pearl; on assessments, Rev. Henry Fairbanks, Rev. G. W. Patterson, Dr. L. W. Hubbard. A roll call of churches showed that every church was represented except those at Hardwick and Kirby. The committee on assessments reported that the receiver had \$20.00 on hand and that the assessments for this year would be three cents for each resident member.

The committee on location reported that the next conference should be held in St. Johnsbury, the opening sermon to be preached by Rev. G. W. Patterson. A brief season of prayer was then held, in which several participated.

While the business was in progress in audience room the ladies held their missionary meeting. Mrs. Henry Fairbanks presided and a very profitable meeting was held. A letter was read from Miss Torrey giving an account of the work the missionaries are doing who are supported by the Vermont Branch. A letter was read from Mrs. Montgomery stating the great need of a hospital in Adana, Turkey. Mrs. Elsie Merrill of Peacham made a strong appeal to the ladies to aid Mrs. Montgomery in this work. Mrs. Hubbard, a missionary of the American Board at Turkey now residing in St. Johnsbury, gave an extremely interesting account of the medical work in Sivas, Turkey, and how much more could be accomplished when the body as well as the soul was cared for. Mrs. P. F. Hazen and Miss Helen L. Graves sang a duet, "The Lord is my Shepherd," which was repeated in the audience room later in the afternoon.

Rev. F. J. Marsh, of the Congregational Sunday School & Publishing Society, followed with an address upon what this society is doing. He said a Sunday School missionary could plant schools in many places where churches could not be planted. Again, during the past six years more than one half the churches established were either the outgrowth of Sunday Schools, or the Sunday Schools connected with them were aided by the Eastern churches. Our work opens up the minds of youth to broader and nobler life. He then related incidents of how young people were brought into Sunday School and later made great sacrifices to get an education. Of the 5000 Congregational churches in this country, less than 1000 contribute to our society. There are 8,000,000 Protestant children in the country outside the Sunday School. We need more workers in the field. There are only 35 men in the field. The men are ready if there is money to send them. We ought to be able to enter every unoccupied field. Last year only five churches in this conference contributed to our society. Our society is doing the seed-sowing work, and while we are thankful for what you do give us we want more that we may do more work.

Prof. Henry Fairbanks spoke briefly of the noble work the Church Building Society was doing, and said our people were indebted to them for aid rendered the churches at Westmore and Hardwick. He hoped all would remember this society in making their gifts to the Lord.

The reports of the churches then followed. The Barnet delegate reported 17 additions to the church during the month following Evangelist Whittier's labors. The pastor at East Burke reported 21 additions to his church during the year and spoke of the good work done by two ladies working under the auspices of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society. The Danville church reported 13 additions on confession and three by letter during the year, and contributions to benevolent objects amounting to \$330.18. This is a larger sum than was given the year before. The Hardwick church reported that some had joined each communion since the church was organized, four having joined in May. The Christian Endeavor had 64 members, and there is an active Junior society.

The moderator reported for the East Hardwick church, giving an interesting account of revival under Evangelist Whittier. As a result of his labors 82 had joined the church on confession of faith and 10 by letter.

No report was given from the Kirby Lyndon church that all were working heartily together, and the prayer meetings were well sustained. The church

was not curtailing expenses and paid their bills promptly.

The church at Lyndonville reported 136 members, and contributions up to previous years. This church and the Lyndon church had each given \$10 to furnish a room at Straight University.

The Peacham church was reported in a fairly healthy condition, with a total membership of 285. There have been 52 additions during the year. The church has lost 10 during the year by death and dismissions. The average attendance at Sunday school has been 148, and \$538 has been contributed to benevolent objects.

The pastor reported for the St. Johnsbury Centre church that the church had a faithful people that were endeavoring to keep the first church in this town alive.

A report from the North church showed a total membership of 427, with gifts to all benevolent objects amounting to \$2559. Mention was made of the serious loss to the church from the death of prominent members during the year.

Rev. G. W. Patterson reported from his church at East St. Johnsbury. There were three additions to the church during the year. But the superintendent had died during the year, and in his death the church had met with a great loss. The pastor said he believed more men and women attended the Sunday school in proportion to church membership than in any other church in the conference.

The South church, St. Johnsbury, reported that the membership was about evenly divided between additions and dismissions. The Christian Endeavor Society had nearly 100 members. During the year \$40 was sent to Miss Hume in New Orleans, and that money had been sent to the church in Hardwick and to Kurn Hattin Home.

The Waterford church was reported by its pastor. He spoke particularly of the plan of using the vestry for a town house, and how this matter had created some difference of opinion in the church.

On Tuesday evening the subject of weak churches was discussed in these phrases: "What makes a church weak?" by Rev. George Roger; "Dives of the stronger churches to the weaker," by Rev. Dr. Heath; "Influence of the weak churches upon the religious life of the land," by Rev. Joseph Boardman; "This very church in history," by Rev. Dr. Fairbanks. The last paper was of an historical nature and many incidents of life in the earlier days of the church were cited. On Wednesday morning the topic of the preceding evening was discussed after which Rev. J. K. Williams preached the communion sermon. After the sermon communion was administered and the conference was then adjourned.

THE WEATHER FOR JUNE.
The following data, compiled from the weather bureau records at Northfield, cover the month of June for the past eight years, and will be of value and interest in anticipating the more important meteorological elements and the range within which such variations may be expected to keep for the present month of June:

Temperature—Mean, or normal, 63°; warmest month, that of 1892, average, 65°; coldest month, that of 1890, average 61°; highest temperature, 92°, June 13, 1892; lowest temperature, 30°, June 5, 1891, and June 7, 1894; average date of first killing frost in autumn, September 21; in spring, May 16. Precipitation—Average, 3.74 inches; average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 13; greatest monthly precipitation, 6.17 inches, in 1888; least, 1.71 inches, in 1894; greatest amount of precipitation in any twenty-four consecutive hours, 1.48 inches, June 27 and 28, 1892. Weather, average number of clear days, 6; partly cloudy days, 14; cloudy days, 10. Wind—Prevailing winds have been from the south; highest velocity, 40 miles from the northwest on June 6, 1894.

A DAY WITH THE UTTONS.
The American Horse Breeder has the following about a day spent in Morrisville:

George H. Hicks, who recently spent a day with ex-Gov. Hendee, in Morrisville, pronounces that town the Lexington of the North. John Utton has 36 horses in training and his brother some 26. Most of these horses are in better racing condition than horses in the vicinity of Boston. They were worked on the snow last winter, and within about a week from the time sleighing broke up they were at work on the beautiful roads around Morrisville, and not long after that upon the track. Mr. Hicks says the trainers are working them there from early morning till late in the afternoon. He timed one trotter a mile in 2.34½, and quarters close to a 2.20 clip are of common occurrence. The fastest mile which Mr. Hicks had ridden at Beacon Park to the close of last week was 2.40, and the fastest mile over the Beacon track up to that time was 2.27, made by Wildbriar, driven by trainer George Draper.

SUMMER SCHOOLS.
An opportunity will be afforded to all who wish to take lessons in physical culture and elocution this summer in the classes Miss Eleanor Gertrude Stephens of the Academy is making arrangements to conduct. Miss Stephens is well known as a successful teacher, and the towns where she may arrange for classes will be fortunate in securing her services. The time available for classes is from June 24 to September 10, and the terms will be two weeks in length. Any information for these classes may be addressed to Miss Stephens at St. Johnsbury.

COUNTY COURT.

Interest Centered in the Opening Case.

The June term of the Caledonia county court opened Tuesday morning with Justice Start of Bakersfield presiding and P. H. Graves and S. J. Hastings as side judges. Prayer was offered by Rev. T. Tyrie. The grand jury were empanelled and ably charged by the court as to their important duties. The court appointed J. G. Hovey foreman of the jury.

Before calling the docket the struck jury was empanelled in the case of Lyndonville National Bank vs. T. C. Fletcher. Charles Ingalls of Sheffield was excused from this jury as he was a stockholder in the plaintiff bank. Frank Walker and W. H. Burbank were excused as they had formed opinions in the case. George P. Blair and Messrs. Johnson and Houghton were also excused from serving. The jury having been empanelled and briefly charged by the court, the case was set for trial on Wednesday morning. The rest of the day was spent in calling the docket.

The bank case was taken up Wednesday morning and occupied the entire day. The court room was crowded all the time, though there was little of interest in the evidence, except to those interested in the law points that continually arose. The case was closely contested by both sides and frequent exceptions were made to the evidence, especially by the attorneys for the plaintiff.

The attorneys for the plaintiff were E. W. Smith of Woodsville, John Young of Newport, J. T. Gleason of Lyndonville and Alexander Dunnell of St. Johnsbury. The attorneys for the defense were C. A. Prouty of Newport, W. P. Stafford, H. C. Bates and Harry Blodgett, all of St. Johnsbury. The case is such an important one that our readers will be interested in a detailed statement of it.

The case grows out of the forgeries committed by Charles T. Walter of St. Johnsbury, who is now serving a term in state's prison therefor. Col. Fletcher was an indorser of Walter's notes to the amount of \$20,500. One of these notes for \$3000 was discounted by the Lyndonville National bank. When it fell due it was taken up by Walter by another note for an equal amount bearing Col. Fletcher's forged indorsement. The original note was stamped "Paid" by the bank and was surrendered to Walter, who exhibited it to Col. Fletcher in proof of payment. Col. Fletcher had no reason for suspecting any crooked work and took it for granted that the note had been paid, and, believing that his outstanding indorsement had thus been reduced from \$20,000 to \$17,500, he afterwards made other indorsements for Walter to the amount of \$3000.

The forgery was committed in January, 1891, and other forgeries followed until they aggregated \$8700—\$3000 at the Lyndonville National bank, \$3000 and \$1000 at the Lyndonville Savings bank and \$1700 at the Citizens' Trust company of St. Johnsbury. All these forgeries were executed with marked skill. The notes were from one to six months and Walter kept things along by taking them up as they fell due by new for